

a circuit clout with a man on base. Ragan outpitched Fromme.

The Athletics are in an awful slump. They pounded three Red Sox pitchers for 15 hits, including two homers by Barry, a single, double and triple by Baker, a double and two singles by Walsh, and a double and single by Collins. Houck held Boston to seven hits.

Those two Philadelphia teams wallowed the pill against the two Boston teams. The Phillies and Athletics combined mauled three homers, four triples, eight doubles and 15 singles.

Jim Vaughn of Kansas City pitched a no-hit-no-run game against Toledo in the American Association. The southpaw gave seven bases on balls and fanned 12.

Manager Fred Clarke of the Pirates is signing a raft of players in an effort to strengthen his slipping team. Yesterday he added to his list Fred Kommers, clouting outfielder from Springfield of the Three-Eye League; Infielder Cypert of the University of Arkansas, and Outfielder Earl Topham of Bucknell.

Infielder Jerry Downs and Catcher Nig Clarke have been sent to San Francisco by Indianapolis of the American Association. This deal is part of Manager Kelly's plan to sell or trade every player who started the season with the Indians. He claims he must build a winner from new material.

Roger Salmon, one of Connie Mack's baseball students, released by Kansas City last week to Hartford, started his Eastern Association career yesterday with a no-hit-no-run game against New London.

Frank Chance is still building. He just signed four recruits, Dan Costello, a college first sacker from Maryland; A. Williams, Galveston catcher; Tom Hanley, southpaw pitcher from Manhattan College, and Jay Rogers, catcher, from Richmond of the Virginia League. The P. L. is also after Pitcher Shackelford of Rockford, Ill. Cleveland is bidding

against Chance for the latter player.

Chicago police and firemen will hook up in a ball game at De Paul University field Saturday afternoon, for the benefit of the Sisters of Mercy. Last year the coppers wallowed the firemen.

Jack Britton was shaded by Jimmy Duffy of Lockport in a ten-round go at Buffalo last night. The Chicagoan tried all his cleverness, but Duffy managed to evade him, and retaliated with some damaging punches. In a former fight Britton was disqualified for fouling.

The scheduled eight-round battle between Joe Jeannette and Jeff Clark, negro heavyweights, in Memphis last night, was stopped in the middle of the last frame, the referee claiming Jeannette was stalling. Joe had a big lead on points, but did not try to punch.

Johnny Griffith, Akron, O., lightweight, has been matched for a 15-round mill with Kayo Brown of New York at Put-in-Bay, O., July 4.

Here's a story from the University of Michigan that sounds like a dream. According to reports among the students, Branch Rickey, coach of the Wolverine ball teams, is to supplant George Stovall as manager of the St. Louis Browns. Rickey refused to discuss the story. For the past three seasons Rickey has been carried on the roster of the New York Americans as a player under suspension for failure to report. He broke into the majors with the Browns, but quit when traded to the Yanks. As coach at Michigan he has been a success.

Stovall is not boosting the Browns in the percentage table, but since taking charge of the team he has gathered some good material, and if given time should mold a club that will be a factor in the pennant race. Right now the Browns are troublesome customers and are improving. It may be that Stovall has never been fully forgiven by Ban Johnson for spitting on Ferguson and the big boss